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October 13, 2003

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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37238

Re: Petition for Arbitration of ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. with
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to the
Telecommunications Act of 1996
Docket No. 03-00119

Dear Chairman Tate:

Enclosed are the original and fourteen copies of BellSouth's responses to inquiries from Director Jones during the arbitration of this matter on August 27-28 and September 12, 2003. Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

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REQUEST: Please verify which CLECs, if any, in the State of Tennessee offer unbundled local switching and at what rate they offer this service.

RESPONSE: As Bellsouth explained during the hearing, BellSouth only has access to publicly-available information regarding products offered by other carriers. BellSouth has referred to information on the internet to identify carriers that appear to offer local switching, which carriers were referenced in Hearing Exhibit No. 3. In response to Director Jones' question, BellSouth contacted all of the CLECs identified in Hearing Exhibit No. 3 to ascertain if they offered unbundled local switching. A copy of BellSouth's correspondence is attached hereto. The only carriers that have responded to date are Z-Tel, BTI and Memphis Networkx (a copy of which is also attached). As BellSouth anticipated, the CLECs, which are under no binding legal obligation to respond to BellSouth's request (as opposed to a TRA-issued data request or subpoena directed to the carrier), have been less-than-forthcoming, as shown by their lack of responsiveness. BellSouth believes that the resistance of CLECs to sharing information on this matter (both in this case and in the local switching exemption docket, No. 02-00207) demonstrates that these carriers are engaged in competitive marketing for these services and are, therefore, reluctant to provide information to BellSouth about switching.



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October 3, 2003

Randy Smith, Executive VP
Access Integrated Networks, Inc.
4885 Riverside Drive, #107
Macon, GA 31210

Dear Mr. Smith:

BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that Access Integrated Networks, Inc. offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from Access Integrated Networks, Inc..

Please also provide any information on whether Access Integrated Networks, Inc. maintains a standard price for switching and whether it provides discounts off of such prices.

Sincerely,

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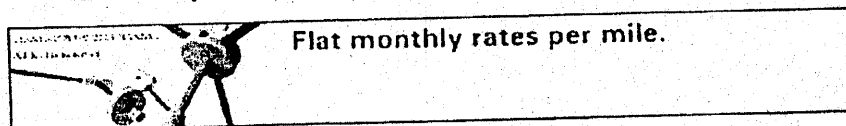


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Attention: Wholesale Services Manager
Allegiance Telecom
1950 Stemmons Freeway
Suite 3026
Dallas, TX 75207

Dear Allegiance Telecom:

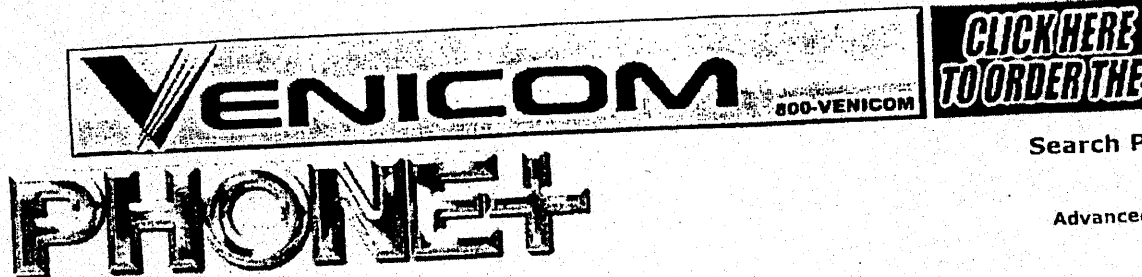
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Please also provide any information on whether Allegiance Telecom maintains a standard price for switching and whether it provides discounts off of such prices.

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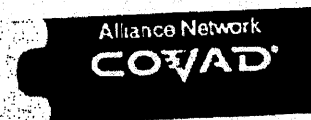


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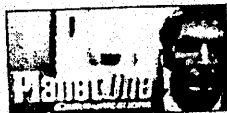
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Tracey Belko, Public Relations Manager
AT&T
S644, 32 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10013

Dear Mr. Belko:

BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that AT&T offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from AT&T.

Please also provide any information on whether AT&T maintains a standard price for switching and whether it provides discounts off of such prices.

Sincerely,

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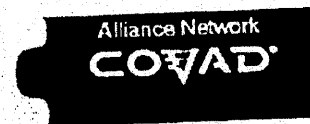


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Services Offered Retail: Toll-Free, ATM, Cable Telephony, Calling Cards, Centrex, CLASS Services, Conferencing: Audio, Data Services, LD Switched Access, LD Dedicated Access, DSL, E-Commerce Services, Frame Relay, International Termination from U.S., International Termination from non-U.S., International Toll-Free Services, Internet Access-

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Robert Buffa, Dealer VP
BTI
4300 Six Forks Road
Raleigh, NC 27609

Dear Mr. Buffa:

BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that BTI offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from BTI.

Please also provide any information on whether BTI maintains a standard price for switching and whether it provides discounts off of such prices.

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James Brooker, Vice President
East Coast Communications Corp.
10047 Midlothian Turnpike
Richmond, VA 23235

Dear Mr. Brooker:

BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that East Coast Communications Corp. offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from East Coast Communications Corp..

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200 N. LaSalle
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Dear Focal Communications, Inc.:

BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that Focal Communications, Inc. offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from Focal Communications, Inc..

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Company Type: CLEC

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William Rubio, Director of Agent Business
IDS Telecom
1525 NW 167th St.
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Dear Mr. Rubio:

BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that IDS Telecom offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from IDS Telecom.

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Web Site: www.idstelcom.com

Company Type: CLEC

Services Offered Wholesale: ATM, Calling Cards, Data Services, LD Switched Access, Local Dial Tone, LD Dedicated Access, DSL, Fax Broadcast/ Fax on Demand, Frame Relay, International Termination from U.S., International Termination from non-U.S., IP-Data, Conferencing: Web, IP-Fax Services, IP-Voice, ISDN Access, Switched Local Services, T1/T3 Access, Unified Messaging, Conferencing: Video, VPNs, Voice Messaging

Services Offered Through an Agency: ATM, LD Switched Access, Local Dial Tone, LD Dedicated Access, Fax Broadcast/ Fax on Demand, Frame Relay, IP-Data, Conferencing: Web, IP-Fax Services, IP-Voice, Switched Local Services, Unified

Messaging, Conferencing: Video, VPNs, Voice Messaging
Services Offered Retail: Toll-Free, ATM, Calling Cards, Centrex, CLASS Services, Data Services, LD Switched Access, Local Dial Tone, LD Dedicated Access, DSL, Fax Broadcast/ Fax on Demand, Frame Relay, International Toll-Free Services, Internet Access-Dedicated, Internet Access-

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Larry Selensky, Manager of Operations
McLeodUSA
6400 C St. SW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

Dear Mr. Selensky:

BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that McLeodUSA offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from McLeodUSA.

Please also provide any information on whether McLeodUSA maintains a standard price for switching and whether it provides discounts off of such prices.

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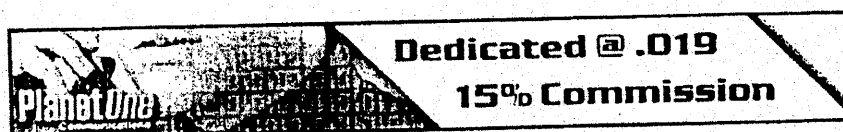
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Services Offered Wholesale: ATM,Cable Telephony,LD Switched Access,Local Dial Tone,LD Dedicated Access,Frame Relay,International-Termination from U.S.,Internet Access-Dedicated,Operator Services,Private Data Lines,T1/T3 Access,VPNs

Services Offered Through an Agency: Toll-Free,Calling Cards,Centrex,CLASS Services,Conferencing: Audio,Data Services,LD Switched Access,Local Dial Tone,LD Dedicated Access,DSL,Frame Relay,International-Termination from U.S.,Internet Access-Dedicated,Internet Access-Dial-Up,IntraLATA Toll,Conferencing: Web,Operator Services,Private Data Lines,Switched Local Services,T1/T3 Access,Conferencing: Video,VPNs,Voice Messaging

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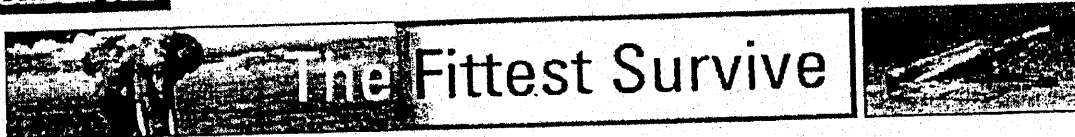
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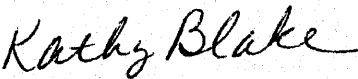
Charles G. Elliot, Director of Marketing
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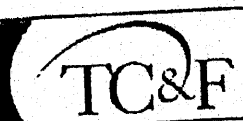
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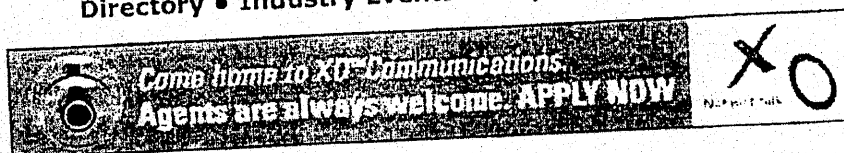
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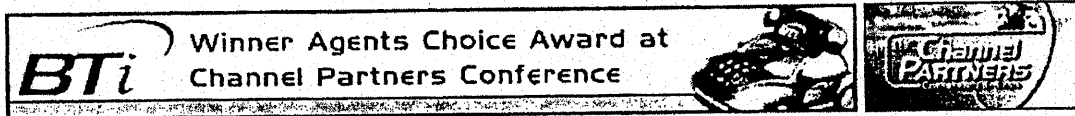
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D. Kerby Talbert, Accounts Manager
WoldCom (Legacy MFS)
1921 Gallow Road, Suite 900
Vienna, VA 22182

Dear Mr. Talbert:

BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that WoldCom (Legacy MFS) offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from WoldCom (Legacy MFS).

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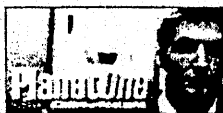
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Xspedius Communications
5555 Winghaven Blvd.
Suite 300
O'Fallon, MO 63366

Dear Ms. Harlow:


BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that Xspedius Communications offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from Xspedius Communications.

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Contact: Diane Harlow, Sr. Manager, Marketing Programs

E-mail: diane.harlow@xspedius.com

Web Site: www.xpedius.com

Company Type: Integrated Services Provider

Services Offered Wholesale: ATM, CLASS Services, Data

Services, LD Switched Access, Local Dial Tone, DSL, Frame

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Services Offered Through an Agency: Toll-

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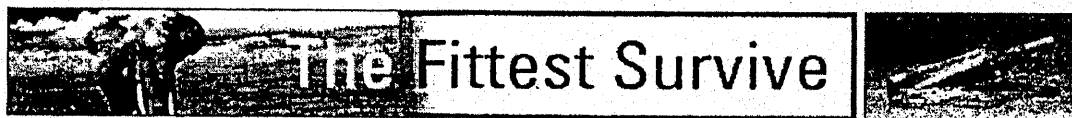
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Don Flynn
XTel Communications Inc.
9 E. Stowe Road
Marlton, NJ 08053

Dear Mr. Flynn:

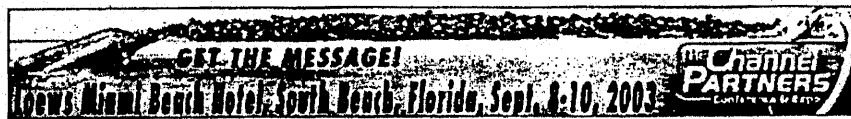
BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that XTel Communications Inc. offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from XTel Communications Inc..

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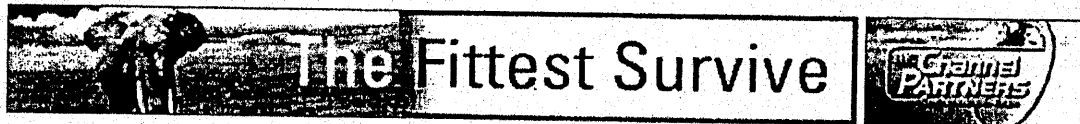
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James Gerdson, Director
Z-Tel Communications, Inc.
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Dear Mr. Gerdson

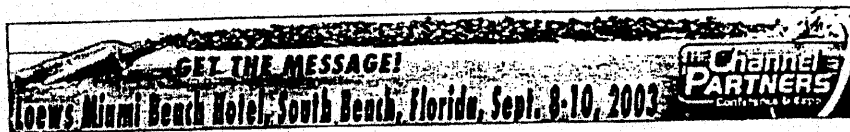
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Kathy Blake
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Dear Ms. Blake:

This is in response to your letter dated October 3, 2003, addressed to James Gerdson. Your letter stated that you were "trying to confirm that Z-Tel Communications, Inc. offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website," because you had been asked by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority to provide such information. What was actually appended to your letter seemed to be a screen-print from Phone+ Magazine's online service, rather than anything gleaned from our website.

It is Z-Tel's policy to refrain from discussing the pricing and availability of our products with our competitors. Section 20 of Part A (General Terms and Conditions) of the Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth and Z-Tel provides the terms under which parties may exchange confidential information where necessary in the course of our business relationship. In particular, our Agreement restricts BellSouth's ability to use all confidential information disclosed to it "only for the purpose of performing under this Agreement." Part A (General Terms and Conditions), Section 20.1.1. It is not apparent from your letter that BellSouth's request is made with any such purpose in mind. Finally, your letter implies that this inquiry was made at the request of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority. While the Agreement provides that BellSouth may disclose any confidential information it does receive if "required by law, a court, or governmental agency" (Section 20.1.2), BellSouth may only do so if it notifies Z-Tel of that requirement and permits Z-Tel to obtain a protective order. If the TRA's request to BellSouth was the form of a government order or subpoena, please forward a copy of that order or subpoena to me for our review. Until these matters are clarified, Z-Tel respectfully declines to provide this information.

Sincerely,

Jackie Zou
for Peggy Rubino

Peggy Rubino



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October 6, 2003

VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Ms. Kathy Blake
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
36M66 Southern Bell Center
675 West Peachtree Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30375

Dear Ms. Blake:

In response to your letter dated October 3, 2003 I would like to point out that the attachment to your letter was not from the website of Business Telecom, Inc. (BTI). It appears to be from the website of Phone+ Magazine and I am unable to validate any information that you might have obtained from the Phone+ website.

However, I can respond to your inquiry concerning the availability of wholesale switching as a product offering from BTI. As provided to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority in response to its Data Request in Docket 02-00207, BTI has never sold switching to another carrier in Tennessee. Any advertising for switched local services is intended as resale with the target market being ISPs and prepaid card service providers in limited areas in BTI's local service footprint. It is not an offering for unbundled local switching but an offering for the resale of BTI's local telecommunications services. Due to the narrow confines of BTI's offering for switched local services any pricing information is irrelevant to your inquiry.

If you have any questions, please call me at 919-863-7362.

Sincerely,

BUSINESS TELECOM, INC.



W. Scott Yelton
Director, Local Product Group

Enclosures (Copy of October 3, 2003 letter from Kathy Blake w/attachment)

Copy to: Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman
Hon. Ron Jones, Director
Hon. Pat Miller, Director
Mr. Guy Hicks, BellSouth Telecommunications
Jean Houck, BTI

Telecommunications Internet Data Solutions

October 6, 2003

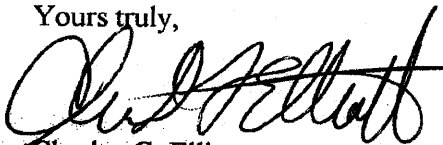
Kathy Blake
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Dear Kathy,

Per your letter dated October 3, 2003(enclosed), I am confirming that we **do not** offer wholesale switching services. The information you gathered was not from our website. We offer SONET Transport, Ethernet, Optical Wavelength and Collocation services. I have enclosed our website "Services" and "Home" page for your convenience.

The information you garnered was within an industry publication - Phone Plus Magazine. Please ensure in the future, that you only acquire information from our website - www.memphisnetworx.com. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me on (901) 507-2105.

Yours truly,



Charles G. Elliott
Director of Marketing & Service Operations

Enclosures(5)

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Collocation - Our customers are provided the option of using our Technology center as a secure facility for their communications equipment or application hosting needs. This option enables our customers to locate their servers as close to the edge of the network as possible.

Wavelength - Customers will experience the flexibility and usability of a dark fiber solution with the availability and manageability of the Memphis Network's Optical Wavelength Service. Because we own and operate our network, we can build to the location of your choice, meeting your specific needs.

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October 3, 2003

Diane Harlow, Sr. Manager
Xspedius Communications
5555 Winghaven Blvd.
Suite 300
O'Fallon, MO 63366

Dear Ms. Harlow:

BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that Xspedius Communications offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from Xspedius Communications.

Please also provide any information on whether Xspedius Communications maintains a standard price for switching and whether it provides discounts off of such prices.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathy Blake".

Kathy Blake



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October 8, 2003

VIA FACSIMILE 301-361-4277

James Falvey, Esquire
Xspedius Communications
7125 Columbia Gateway Dr., Suite 200
Columbia, MD 21046

Dear Jim:

I understand from Henry Walker that you have expressed concern about the attached letter, which was sent by Kathy Blake, of BellSouth, to Diane Harlow, of Xspedius. Your concern was that the letter should have been submitted to you, rather than to your client. Kathy Blake is not an attorney, and I do not see anything improper about her writing a letter to her contact at Xspedius. However, I am happy to communicate directly with you if that is your preference. Please provide your response to the attached letter to me. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

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BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
TRA Docket 03-00119
DeltaCom Arbitration
Late Filed Hearing Exhibit No. 2

REQUEST: What is the longest and the shortest period of back billing for bills rendered to DeltaCom by BellSouth?

RESPONSE: The longest actual back billing for bills rendered to DeltaCom by BellSouth was 39 months in Tennessee and Georgia. The shortest actual back billing for bills rendered to DeltaCom by BellSouth was 3 months in Tennessee for OSS related back billing and 6 months in Louisiana and South Carolina for DUF and UNE-P market rate back billing.

REQUEST: Can a BellSouth end-user call a BellSouth operator and verify whether a DeltaCom end-user's line is busy?

RESPONSE: BellSouth does not offer that service to its customers. To be able to verify the status of a non-BellSouth line the BellSouth operator would have to be able to determine which CLEC/ICO is actually the end user's local exchange provider. It is unlikely that the customer making the inquiry would have the knowledge of which carrier would be providing the local exchange service to the end user line in question. Thus, BellSouth's operator would have to query some database of in-service telephone numbers to derive the serving carrier. BellSouth's databases do not currently contain this information. The BellSouth operator would also have to know whether or not BellSouth had an agreement with the CLEC/ICO to allow such inquiries. Here again, some query of an Interconnection Agreement database, for information not currently available, would be required. BellSouth would have to install and maintain operator service interconnection arrangements, including so-called "inward operator trunks" with a Deltacom operator platform providing operator services to Deltacom's customers in Tennessee, in order for the verification to take place. Lastly, in order for the service to be effective, BellSouth would have to have operator service interconnection (and associated trunks) with each CLEC/ICO providing operator services in Tennessee and each CLEC/ICO would have to have operator service interconnection with every other CLEC/ICO/ILEC in the state. Such a network arrangement does not currently exist in Tennessee, would be expensive for all, and would require the cooperation of all carriers operating in the state.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on October 13, 2003, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the parties of record, via the method indicated:

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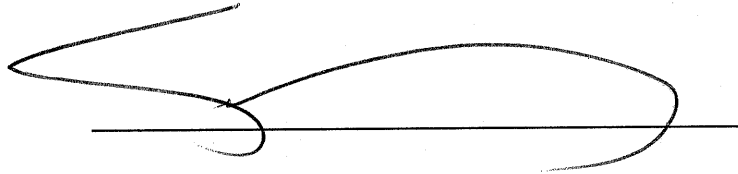
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